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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Still Found On Manzanita By Officers

**Search for Prowler Leads to
Discovery of Illicit
Operations**

**Operator Pleads Guilty and
Is Fined—Money Goes to
City Treasury**

Liquid Christmas cheer in large quantities was prevented from reaching thirsty customers when Officers McMillan and Stanton discovered a large still Sunday night at 305 Manzanita Avenue. The discovery resulted in the arrest of H. Carlis, who was in charge of the plant, confiscation of a large quantity of whiskey and materials, and destruction of a very new and modern still, with a fine of \$260 for Carlis.

Discovery of the still was due to the keen scent of Officers McMillan and Stanton, who answered a call Saturday night to investigate a prowler who was supposed to be working in the south part of town. Driving along Manzanita Avenue they detected a strong odor of mash. They drove around the block until they were convinced the odor could come only from the house belonging to Ralph J. Criswell, Los Angeles city councilman.

Nobody Home

Attempts to arouse occupants of dinner (these by knocking at the doors) failed. The officers then investigated by turning their flashlights into the windows. The more they investigated the more firmly they were convinced that they had located the right place. Finally one of the officers climbed to the roof of a one-story addition to the house, and a look through the second-story window revealed the layout.

Upon reporting their find to Marshal Udell, Officer McMillan was instructed to enter the house and await the return of the still operators. The officers returned at 8:30 Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. H. Carlis drove into the yard. They were placed under arrest and the boy taken to the city hall. Recorder instituted a \$1000, which was readily arranged with a bond.

But the company arrived. More careful investigation of the plant revealed one of the most complete and modern stills ever seen in this vicinity. The appliances for "aging" the whiskey was on hand, together with 2000 gallons of mash, 700 pounds of sugar and other ingredients.

Helps the Treasury

When Carlis appeared for trial he pleaded guilty and Recorder Forman assessed a fine of \$260. The maximum penalty assessable under city ordinance is \$300 and the slight reduction was made in recognition of the plea of guilty.

Having served its purpose of evidence, the whiskey was poured down the drain pipe back of the city hall. As it flowed down the gutter, it lent a peculiar tang to the atmosphere which caused many people to wonder what it had to do with Christmas.

Santa Claus got his share out of the proceedings when the court ordered the confiscated sugar turned over to Municipal Nurse Barker, to be used in the Christmas basket distribution and in subsequent relief work.

It was understood that Carlis was only the operator of the still, working for other parties. The house was rented on November 4 through a local agency to a man named Ruter.

The next bridge party will be held at the Clubhouse Wednesday, December 29th, at 2 p. m. Mrs. Hugo Carlson and Mrs. Ole Honson, Jr., will be hostesses.

SANTA CLAUS HAS WIRE FOR POSTMASTER

Postmaster Jessica Wright received a telegram Wednesday afternoon telling of her reappointment as postmaster for a second term of four years. It was a delightful Christmas message, even though there was no element of surprise in it, as her reappointment was a foregone conclusion.

Considering the Christmas rush in the postoffice, Mrs. Wright is not a firm believer in the theory of "Christmas all the year." The whole force is working with a fine spirit to get Christmas matter delivered promptly and prevent any delay through congestion of mails.

Although this issue of the News carries the usual Friday date line, it is issued in time for delivery by mail carrier on Thursday afternoon. This is done partly to aid in relieving post office congestion on the day before Christmas and partly to give merchants a chance to get their announcements to customers before the last shopping day.

Observations (By G. B. M.)

**HOW ABOUT IT,
YOUR HONOR?**

Now that Beverly Hills has put over a big publicity stunt by electing Will Rogers mayor, it seems to be up to Mayor Sparks to put Sierra Madre on the map by going into the movies!

MAKING REAL TEST—

The editor of REServations (see page 4) doesn't believe in doing anything by halves. Neither does he believe in wasting anything. For about fifteen years this newspaper institution has been paying annual checks to the state pension commission without getting anything in return. I had sometimes wondered why, and maybe he did, too. Just to solve the problem, I guess, he stuck his wrist against a revolving metal saw last Friday. Very kind of him to wait till the weekly edition was out.

I did not see him do it but I saw him go out of the front door a moment later and the manner of his going caused me to follow him across the street to Dr. Board's office. I arrived just in time to see the doctor give him a small drink of something that was made before Volstead became famous. Although he did not offer me any I don't think he intended to be partial. I believe he would do the same for anyone else who cares to stick his arm on a circular saw.

That little sip was only the prelude to further ceremonies which left a neat sort of cross stitch effect on the under side of the wrist. The patient followed the process with interest, but I don't think he was very proud of the result, for he has been wearing it covered up ever since. And now that the deed has been done, I guess we are going to find out what reason we have, if any, for paying liability insurance.

JUST JUICE—

Electricity is funny stuff. The moonshiners use it to make their new product taste like it is old. And the ads say if you are feeling old you can put on an electric belt and feel young again.

WHY NOT?

That pageant at the church Sunday night gives a new slant on heaven. (Even a newspaper man can have a speculative interest in it.) Streets of gold and angels with nothing but white raiment do not offer enough variety to prevent monotony. But those angels with wings of many pretty colors make heaven seem a lot more interesting.

Treat to Be Generous at Tree in Park

**Plans Completed by Firemen
for Distribution of Gifts
to Youngsters**

**Committees Spend Long
Hours Preparing Program
Details**

Plans for the Community Tree in the park are complete and promise another splendid celebration, on a par with those staged under the management of the Fire Department for several years past. The tree will be illuminated at 6:30 p. m. on Christmas Eve. The early hour is chosen for the convenience of those who wish to attend other exercises later in the evening or who do not wish to keep young children out late.

All the children of Sierra Madre are wanted at the Community Tree, according to Fire Chief Henderson. Last year, partly on account of the late hour, the number of children was not up to expectations and there was a surplus of Christmas stockings. This year there will be an abundance of stockings filled with a nice treat.

The firemen have been working hard making preparations for the tree and treat, and also for the baskets which will be distributed to families where there is need. The baskets are beautifully filled with substantial food which will bring cheer to a great many people.

Committees in charge of the various features of the Christmas celebration are: Stockings: Tom Henderson, A. M. Udell, E. H. Keegan. Baskets: Ray A. Grant, E. H. Keegan, A. M. Udell. Program: Tom Henderson, Miss Elizabeth Steinberger. Tree: A. M. Udell, assisted by entire department.

Firemen Will Usher Year in With Dance

High carnival will reign at the Woman's Club House on New Year's Eve when the boys of the Volunteer Fire Department give another of their series of dances. The boys promise that this will be the one real big night of the season's entertainments. They have engaged Syl Pryor's Novelty Orchestra from Los Angeles. They consider themselves particularly lucky to get this group of musicians on a night when every bunch that makes any pretense of being an orchestra is booked up.

Dancing will begin at 8:30 on New Year's Eve and will continue until 1 o'clock, an hour later than usual.

At midnight refreshments will be served to all guests. The evening's entertainment will include plenty of favors and amusement for old and young.

Owing to the warm weather of the early season dances the firemen played in hard luck, with an actual loss at most of them. The Christmas Fund dances were solely for the purpose of helping pay for the community tree and Christmas baskets for those in need. The New Year dance will be a fine chance to help the boys put something into their treasury. It is needed for the fund maintained to reimburse the volunteer firemen who suffer loss through damage to their clothing or in other ways when answering fire calls.

Miss Eva Scantlebury is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. C. Scantlebury, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wright of 121 S. Mt. Trail, for the holidays. Miss Scantlebury is an instructor in Teachers' College, in Menominee, Wisconsin.

PASADENA CHOIR APPEARS HERE IN CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The coming of the Pasadena Congregational Choir for the Thursday night cantata is a fine example of inter-community relations. This splendid musical organization, consisting of a fine quartet and large chorus, arranged to give "When the Christ Child Came," in the Sierra Madre Congregational Church without expense to the local church. It was the understanding that there would be no admission charge but a silver offering would be taken for the benefit of the organ fund of the new church.

The cantata is a musical setting by Joseph W. Clokey of Laura Spencer Porter's poem. It has been given with great success by the choir and chorus in Pasadena.

Mrs. Helen Root Wolf, who has directed the rehearsals, plays the accompaniments. The soloists are Miss Mary Petcina, Mrs. Ada Lewis, Charles P. Hatcher and Lance Estes.

Addis Heads J. C. Football Team for '27

**Sterling Work During Past
Season Is Recognized by
Teammates**

Sam Addis of Sierra Madre will be captain of Pasadena Junior College football team for next year. He has been a star member of the team the past season and helped materially to land the state championship title for the team.

At last Friday's assembly the letter men on the team were awarded their sweaters of bright blue, with the regulation letter "P" on the front, and gold service stripes on the sleeve indicating the number of years on the team. Each member also received a gold football charm, with the player's name and position engraved upon it.

Addis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. N. Addis of West Grand View. He graduated from Sierra Madre grammar school and Pasadena high before entering junior college.

CLUB PARTY FOR KIDDIES IS SUCCESS

Santa Claus brought much cheer to the hearts of children of members and friends of the Woman's Club Wednesday at the children's party, with Mrs. Robert Steinberger in charge. More than 150 children gathered at the club house.

A beautiful Christmas tree was furnished by Mrs. L. E. Steinberger, and with the aid of Mr. and Mrs. House, was beautifully decorated. Refreshments were made by Madames Fletcher White, Herman Hall, Amy Leggett and Grace King.

Music was furnished by Mrs. George B. Morridge and Mrs. King. Mrs. Gilbert Board told stories before the fireplace; while Ethel Karpf directed the small children in games. There were ice cream frostees, candy canes, popcorn balls and little gifts for all, and they went away very happy.

The Christmas season would not be complete without the appearance of Santa Claus at Pettitt's store about a week before Christmas. His appearance last Saturday was the magnet for several hundred youngsters, who called to pay their respects and receive a generous gift of fine candy.

Don't Forget Those Boxes For Veterans

**Hurrying Shoppers Overlook
Chance to Aid Needy
War Veterans**

**More Money Needed to Meet
Urgent Needs In This
Community**

Shoppers in Sierra Madre may have noticed little pasteboard boxes in various stores, bearing a legend inviting them to drop in their spare change to aid in providing clothing for disabled war veterans.

Either the shoppers did not have much spare change, or they did not take the appeal seriously, or they left it for someone else to supply the need.

Reports from the Legion Auxiliary unit indicate that not nearly enough money has been received to meet actual known needs. The women, with characteristic devotion are going to see to it that necessary clothing is provided, without waiting till Christmas Eve to see how much change is dropped into the boxes. If the needed funds are not realized from that source, they will undertake to raise it in some other way. Anyone wishing to help this worthy cause will have just one more day in which to drop their change into the boxes and feel they have had a part in warming some veteran's body as well as his heart.

GLENDORA AND ARCADIA CROSS BATS SUNDAY

Guy Corpe and his Arcadia Merchants are slated to cross bats with Harry Nelson's Glendora baseball aggregation on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 26, on the Arcadia Merchants' ball grounds in a game that is promised all baseball fans to be a thriller from start to finish. The game will be called at 2:15 by an Association League umpire. The Arcadia grounds are located on First Ave. and Huntington Drive, just opposite a large water reservoir.

The Merchants are putting up a good brand of baseball this year, and Glendora has a number of stars on its line-up. The game is likely to be hard-fought throughout. The Arcadians extend a cordial invitation to Sierra Madre baseball fans to be present Sunday.

Music Will Be Feature Of Program

A recital of Christmas music will be given at the Church of the Ascension next Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m., following Evensong. The program is as follows:

Anthem, "Angels from the Realm of Glory," Harker; Choir. Trio, "In the Fields With Their Flocks Abiding," Cunstane. Carols, "The First Nowell," "Good King Wenceslas," Traditional; Male Quartet. Soprano solo, "Glory to God in the Highest," Davenport. Carol, "Silent Night," Gruber; male quartet. Duet, "Christmas Song," Adam; Soprano and Alto.

Anthem, "Hosannah to the Son of David," Schakley; The Choir.

On Christmas Eve at 7:00 p. m. Vespers will be sung, followed by the play given by the church school in the parish house.

At the Festival Eucharist at 8 a. m. on Christmas Day, Mozart's 12th Mass will be sung, the anthem at the offertory being "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks," by Vincent. The public is cordially welcome at all services during Christmas-tide at the Church of the Ascension.

SUCCUMBS TO AN ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA

Mrs. Effie Schneeberger, wife of Edward Schneeberger, passed away Sunday noon at her home, 189 North Hermosa Avenue, after a brief illness with pneumonia. News of her passing came as a great shock to the many friends of the family, as Mrs. Schneeberger had been about town, apparently in her usual health, only a few days previous.

Mrs. Schneeberger was born in Ohio and was 48 years of age. The family came to Sierra Madre from Cleveland about twenty years ago for the benefit of her health, physicians in the east having given her only a short time to live. She largely recovered her health, and although of a retiring disposition, she won many friends here. She is survived by her husband and by one daughter, Miss Angela Schneeberger.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at St. Rita's Catholic Church and interment took place at Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles.

Annual Play On Christmas Eve Planned

**"The Christ Child," Poetic
Fancy, Offered by a
Large Cast**

The children of the church school of the Church of the Ascension will present their annual Christmas play in the Parish House on Christmas Eve, following the Vesper service in the church at 7:30 o'clock.

The poetic Christmas fancy, "The Christ Child," will be offered by a large cast. The prologue will be said by Sarah Griebenow and the players will be as follows:

Angel Choir: Virginia Flather, Georgina Perry, Marjorie De Bolt, Katherine Pulling, Jane Anderson, Doris Cooke. Angel with flute: Frances Utter. Star Boy: Paul Moffat. Three Shepherds: Tommie Morris, Allan Wood, David Wood. The Sisters: Jean Metcalf, Rosemary Stehler, Joan Gruit. Beggar: George McRoberts. Queen: Mabel Singer. Sister of Mercy: Dorothy Bains. Courier: David Palmer. Midnight Spirit: Jeannette Moffat. The Mother: Anna Green. Flag Bearer: Jack McRoberts. Cross Bearer: Bob Green. Little Christmas Maid: Doris Cooke.

MASQUE WINS PRAISE FOR FINE INTERPRETATION

The Christmas masque, "The Nativity," was given at the Congregational Church Sunday night with all the reverent charm and mystic effect which characterized its rendition in past years. The feeling was expressed more widely than ever that it should become a permanent event of the Christmas season.

This year's performance was produced under direction of Mrs. Albert M. Croxson, to whom a large share of credit for its success was given by her co-workers. Mrs. Croxson takes little credit for herself, giving most of the credit to Mrs. J. Glenwood Jones, who brought the script from England and superintended its production in past years. Most of the parts were taken by the same persons as in past years, making the work of preparation much simpler. Each year slight variations and improvements are made as experience shows the way. In this way, Mrs. Croxson points out, an approach is made to a perfection which would be difficult with (Continued on Page 8)

Home-Trade Contest Prizes Are Awarded

**Sarah Jane Griebenow Wins
Prize Offered by the
News**

**Essays Show Much Thought
On Part of the Forty-two
Entrants**

Awards in the Home-Trade essay contest of the public school pupils were made by the judges Thursday morning, after careful study of the forty-two essays submitted by the pupils of the 6th, 7th and 8th grades. The prize winners were ranked as follows:

- 1st—Sarah Jane Griebenow, B7.
- 2nd—Miriam Taylor, B7.
- 3rd—Gaylord Fox, A6.
- 4th—Kathleen Moote, B6.
- 5th—Mildred Newton, B7.
- 6th—Ernestine Manning, B7.

Reading of the essays was a liberal education in the value of patronizing home-town merchants. The essays showed a great deal of thought and care had been given to the subject, and indicated a much wider interest than in a mere class-room exercise of the ordinary sort.

The two leading essays in the contest are published in this issue of the News. Others will follow in later issues. They are well worth reading.

The whole-hearted cooperation of Miss Steinberger, principal, and the teachers of the various grades had much to do with the success of the contest. The contestants were in the grades presided over by Miss Wheeler, Miss Mundorf and Mrs. Stanley. After the original essays had been prepared, each contestant was required to copy it on uniform exercise paper. There were numbered and the names of the authors removed, the names and corresponding numbers were tabulated and placed in a sealed envelope which was brought to the News office by Miss Steinberger along with the forty-two essays. The judges had absolutely no way of knowing the author of the essays.

Mayor J. D. Sparks and Secretary J. M. Campbell of the Chamber of Commerce assisted the editor of the News in ranking the essays. The process of elimination was difficult, owing to the excellence of a large number of them. The judges gave conscientious thought to the problem, giving credit for logical and forceful presentation of the argument, and for indication of original thought or investigation on the subject.

The essay contest makes a fitting climax to the home-trade campaign carried on for several weeks past by the merchants of Sierra Madre. The whole educational campaign has made home trading a subject of household discussion. Throughout the essays there runs the thought of the worth of loyalty, good will, and good business as a vital and necessary factor in community building.

Prizes donated by various merchants for the contest are as follows, the contestants being given their choice in the order of their contest ranking:

- \$5 gold piece, Sierra Madre News.
- Flashlight, Sierra Madre Electric Company.
- Pocket knife, Sierra Madre Hardware Company.
- \$1.50 in trade at Fraiberg Jewelry Store.
- \$1.00 magazine pencil or pen, Woodson F. Jones.
- \$1.00 box of stationery, F. H. Hartman and Son, drug store.

FIRST PRIZE WHY I BELIEVE IN TRADING IN SIERRA MADRE

By Sarah Jane Griebenow

There are many reasons why we should trade in our own town. (Continued on Page 8)

All Around the Town

Entertaining Visitor From the East—

Mrs. Fred Griebenow of 10 East Mira Monte is entertaining, for a few days, her sister, Miss M. Elizabeth Barker, who is director of health education at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio. Monday night Mrs. Wm. C. Shaw, Mrs. Griebenow and Mrs. Barker were the guests of Miss Edna Green at "The Goose Hangs High" at the Pasadena Community Playhouse.

Helped Fill Stockings for Veterans—

Mrs. A. A. Leggett of 115 E. Central and Mrs. George Lehner of 550 West Central represented the Sierra Madre Woman's Club at the Soldier's Home at Sawtelle Thursday. Representatives from all the women's clubs in this vicinity were there to help fill stockings for the soldiers.

To Entertain Guests at Christmas Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Glidden of 305 W. Laurel Avenue will have as guests at dinner Christmas Day, Mrs. Glidden's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Shaw and their family of Hollywood, Mrs. Glidden's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Chester I. Meek, and family, of Redondo, Mr. Lawrence Galt of Pekin, China, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Shaw and Miss Laura Derby of Hollywood.

Guests for Christmas—

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Schwartz and family of 287 East Montecito will have Mr. and Mrs. William Schwartz and small son of Alhambra and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schwartz and son as their guests on Christmas.

Entertained Well-Known Singer—

Miss Sarah Schwartz had as her house guest last week-end, Miss June Ettienne of Pasadena. Miss Ettienne, who has a beautiful soprano voice, sang a solo Sunday at the Congregational Church. For the past three years she has been taking leading parts in Pasadena high school productions and has become widely known as a talented vocalist.

Will Spend Christmas at San Dimas—

Prof. and Mrs. Oscar Seiling of 500 North Adams and their house guest, Miss Orline Burrows, who is studying the violin with Prof. Seiling, will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lewis of San Dimas at dinner and for the evening on Christmas.

The many friends of Dr. Thos. Glidden will be pleased to know he has again entered the practice of dentistry. He will be associated with Dr. W. D. Tiller at 522 West Central.

Mrs. Allen Bowcock left for her home in Oakland Monday after spending two weeks with her aunt, Mrs. A. A. Leggett of 115 East Central.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennett and family moved from their former home at 473 North Auburn Avenue, Saturday, to 479 North Auburn, having remodeled the place almost entirely. They expect to build soon on their Carter Avenue property, which is located just west of Auburn.

W. Herbert Ingraham, cashier of the Sierra Madre Savings Bank, is spending Christmas in San Francisco visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kaneen and family of Walnut Park have taken one of Mrs. Laura M. Cline's bungalows in the Canyon for the winter.

Family Reunion at Hartman Home—

There will be a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hartman on Christmas to enjoy dinner and a Christmas tree. The guests will be Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tarter and family of Fresno, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Pegler and daughter Barbara and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Preston of Harbor City, Mrs. Caroline Rehberg of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Evans and family.

Christmas Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sparks and Miss Louise Pearson and Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Pillsbury will be the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Convers L. Twycross of 125 South Baldwin on Christmas Day.

Entertained Friends at Bridge—

Mrs. J. E. Appleby and Miss Mabel Appleby of 57 West Laurel entertained at bridge Saturday. The guests to enjoy the delightful evening were Mr. and Mrs. Hall Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Victor C. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lieben, M. and Mrs. John F. Brain, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Adams, Mrs. A. Brain and Mr. Harry Brain.

Sunday School Girls Carry Christmas Cheer—

The Unity Sunday School Class, composed of girls of high school age, delivered a basket which they had prepared for the family of a Legionnaire. The family lives in San Gabriel, but the husband and father is at the Hospital for disabled veterans in San Fernando.

Dr. Addie Pawson of 105 East Central Avenue returned Saturday from a business trip to Sunnyside, Washington, and Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley R. Metcalf and family of North Auburn Avenue, spent last week-end in San Diego at the home of Capt. T. C. Noakes. He had been visiting here and made the trip to his home in San Diego with them.

Mrs. Cecil C. Kellogg is ill at her home, 77 East Montecito. She has been suffering from a severe attack of influenza.

Mrs. D. G. Arthur, of 381 Marioposa, Avenue, suffered a slight stroke and as a result is unable to use her right eye.

The Sierra Madre football team, composed of boys of high school age, won a victory Sunday when they played South Santa Anita on the latter's grounds in the first game of the season, the score being 6 to 0. The members of the team are: Lyle McElwain, right end; Harry Draman, right tackle; Bernard Bodine, right guard; Wayne Bandy, center; Carl Knowles, left guard; Marvin Wilson, left tackle; "Buster" Brain, left end; "Willie" Kirchner, left half; Howard Bandy, right half; Jack Young, fullback; Leslie Miller, quarterback. Substitutes in Sunday's game: "Bill" McClelland for Wayne Bandy; "Ray" Duncan for Carl Knowles and "Bob" McLaughlin for "Willie" Kirchner. There was but one serious injury in the game. Carl Knowles, whose nose had been broken earlier in the football season, found that lightning does sometimes strike twice in the same place, for that organ again sustained a fracture.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robertson, who have been living in Los Angeles temporarily, returned Saturday to Sierra Madre to spend two weeks at their home, 371 North Adams. Mrs. Robertson is registered at the University of California in Los Angeles, where she is majoring in Education and English. Mr. Robertson is with the J. B. McNeale company of Los Angeles. They expect to take the family to Orange Christmas Day, where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sufferin. This will be a family reunion. It has been the custom for them to meet every Christmas for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hartman of North Baldwin Avenue, are being entertained at dinner Christmas by Dr. and Mrs. G. J. Hartman of 196 East Central.

C. Milke who had been a resident of Sierra Madre for about two years, passed away at the Disabled Veterans' Hospital, San Fernando, Sunday morning. The remains were taken Sunday to Chicago where the funeral services were held. The deceased is survived by his wife, rs. Margaret Milke, and two small daughters, Shirley May and Maxine.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Adelmeyer of 439 East Highland have as their guests their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. MacArthur of Los Angeles. Mrs. MacArthur, who was formerly Miss Marie Adelmeyer, is relieving Mr. L. Dietz, city clerk, of detail work temporarily. She and Mr. MacArthur were married at Pasadena December 7 in the presence of a few friends.

Might Have Been Worse

"What did your wife give you for Christmas?"
"Nothing."
"That was tough."
"Well, it might have been a necktie or a smoking jacket."

Could Mean Only Her

He: "The prettiest women always marry the biggest fools."
She: "Try your flattery on some else."—Stray Stories.

Not Too Many

Rich Old Aunt (recovering from accident): "I am afraid I shall feel the effects of this accident for many years to come."

Nephew (with expectations): "I sincerely hope not, Auntie."—Boston Transcript.

Wants to Escape

Little Tommy: "Father, you bought sister a piano; you must buy me a bicycle."

Pop: "What for?"
Little Tommy: "So I can go out riding when she is practicing."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Large Responsibilities

"How are you getting on at your job, Bill?"

"Fine. I've got five men under me now."

"Really?"

"Yes—I work upstairs."

Hey! Hey!

BIG BASEBALL GAME

WHERE? Arcadia Merchants' Ball Grounds, First Ave. and Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California.

WHO? Glendora and Arcadia Merchants.

WHEN? Sunday, December 26th, at 2:15 p. m.

GOOD GAME PROMISED
Arcadia Merchants want *your* support.

LET'S GO! 2:15

Christmas Greetings

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our cordial wish for your
happiness at Christmas
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your heart's desire in
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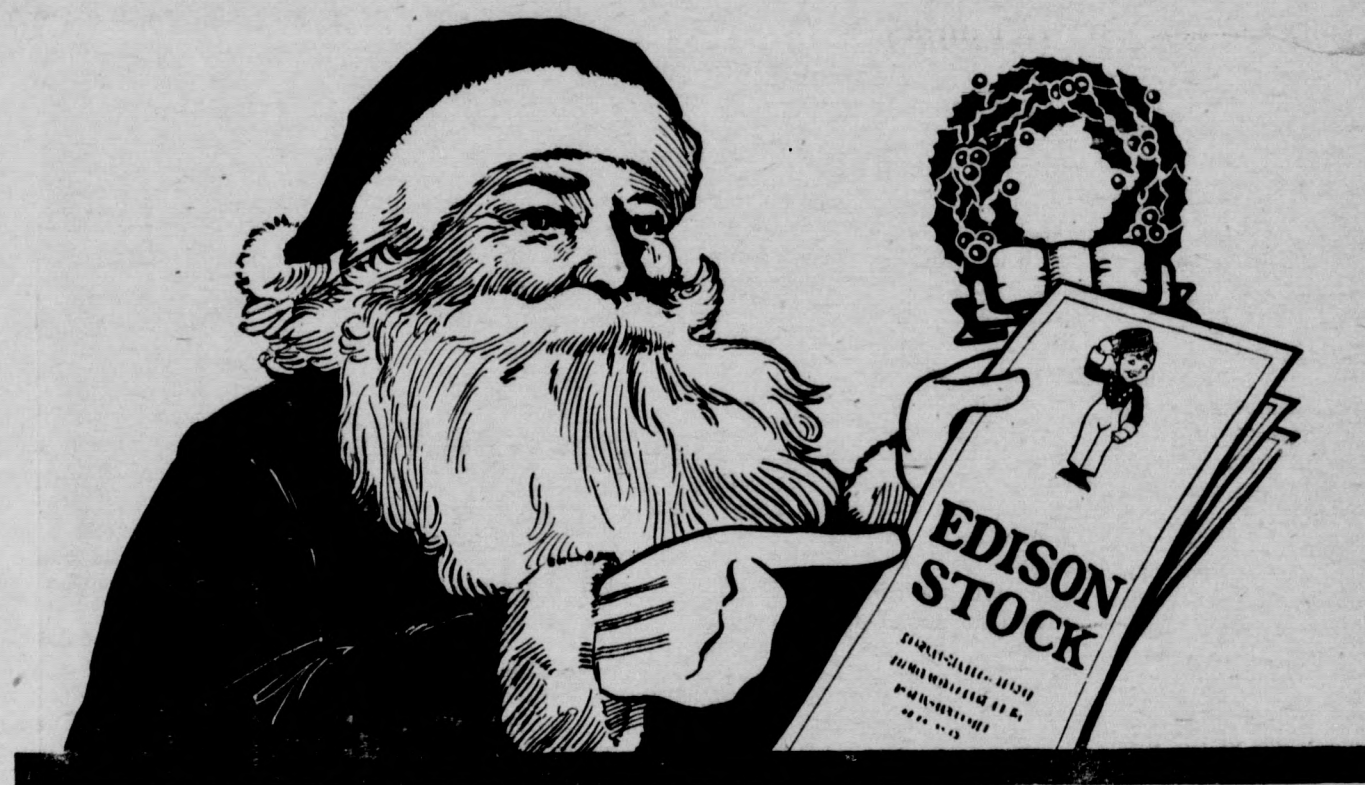
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**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
EDISON COMPANY**
Owned by those it Serves

The Actor's Christmas Party

By Mary Graham Bonner

All of the actors of the Zoroaster Stock company were good, but perhaps Billy Kelly was the best liked by the townspeople. Billy had been there six weeks, now, and was living at Mrs. Perkins' on Center street. Hence Center street was particularly thrilled at this time, because it had never before harbored a real live actor, and it could not quite get used to the idea.

Mrs. Perkins was a respectable middle-aged widow who had to take a few roomers to help out on expenses. She was not quite sure that it was right to have Billy rooming there, as she had an inherited prejudice against actors, but he paid twice as much as she had ever had before for the rooms, he did not cause any extra bother, and so far as she could determine, was a human being like the rest of us.

It did seem strange to her, however, that a young unmarried man should receive one hundred and fifty dollars a week when Mr. Perkins with his family had earned only that much a month. She wondered if it were honest. And, then, too, she did not always know just what to make of Billy's attentions to her. Why, one time when she had fallen asleep on the sofa without a covering, he had gone to his own room and got his genuine Japanese silk kimono and covered her with it. She had found it over her when she woke up.

Mrs. Perkins had just finished telling this and several other incidents to the Ladies' Aid Society, when one of the progressive ladies asked:

"Well, what are we to do with him for Christmas? It doesn't seem right not to do anything, when he is away from his people and all."

Everyone else had been thinking the same thing, but had not dared mention it, and none of them had any suggestions to make. No one dared ask him to dinner (they were so shy), and Mrs. Perkins, who really liked him, had decided to go to the hotel so as not to have to do so. They certainly did not give him ties or socks, Mrs. Perkins assured them that she had hundreds of socks and thousands of ties, which everyone readily believed, as they had never seen him dressed twice the same.

It certainly looked like a cold Christmas for Billy. But next door to Mrs. Perkins lived a dear old maid who had been housekeeper for the Wellers for many years. Every Christmas she made mittens for all the children in the neighborhood, and when they grew too big for mittens, she gave candy to the girls and neckties to the boys. She was a community institution, but nobody ever thought of her in connection with Billy.

But when Christmas morning arrived, and Center street was busy with its tops, Billy had not been forgotten. The Perkins children were just opening their packages from the housekeeper next

door when one of them discovered an envelope for Billy. He darted upstairs, and timidly knocked on the actor's door and slipped the envelope under.

"What could it be?" wondered Mrs. Perkins, for she knew it was no Christmas card.

She had not long to wonder, however, for Billy soon came running down flourishing a crisp new dollar bill which he had found in the envelope, and he called to one of the children telling him of the nice Christmas present. Then he told Mrs. Perkins of the welcome present and how it had suggested to him to give a party next door in honor of the housekeeper. He told her to take the children over there quickly, as he would be back in twenty minutes.

True to his word, he was there in twenty minutes, and with him the whole Ladies' Aid Society, and, to the delight of all a whole gallon of ice cream which he and the kindly housekeeper served to all assembled, with many jokes and much merriment. Then Billy sang some rousing Christmas songs, kissed the housekeeper on the brow and taxied all the ladies home.

He had so many invitations to dinner that he was almost amazed. But he accepted the one from the housekeeper, who was, of course, a wonderful cook. Billy couldn't remember when he had had such a wonderful dinner, and not only that, but he liked the little old housekeeper best of all.

Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve refers to the evening of December 24. The word "eve" in general means the evening before, from the Jewish mode of reckoning the day as beginning at sunset.

Christmas Gifts from the Nursery

Ferns
Palms
Cyclamen
Begonias
Ornamental Peppers
Flowering Plants
Poinsettias
Living Christmas Trees in Tubs
Holly Wreaths
Holly Berries
Poinsettia Blossoms
Cut Flowers

Ward Nursery
Mt. Trail & Laurel Aves.
Phone Blue 29

Christmas Trees Draw Thousands

Altadena's famous "Street of the Christmas Trees" will burst into its accustomed Yuletide brilliance at 7 o'clock on Christmas Eve and at 5 o'clock on each succeeding evening until after New Year's.

The mile-long avenue of deodars, illuminated by thousands of colored electric lights, is expected to attract more visitors than ever this year. Of the 180 trees, seventy-five will be lighted, which is twelve more than last year. Each tree will carry three streamers of bulbs, with twenty-five bulbs to the streamer, or seventy-five lights for each tree. On the seventy-five trees will be 5625 electric bulbs, one-third of them red, one-third green and one-third white. To wire the trees will require 20,205 feet of wire.

The illumination of the deodars

is sponsored by the Pasadena Kiwanis Club. The trees are wired and the lights installed by the city of Pasadena, while transformers and electric current are furnished by the Southern California Edison Company.

The spectacle provided by the lighted trees attracts about half a million persons annually. The trees are giant Himalayan cedars, known as deodars, or "trees of God." For almost a mile they stand in unbroken rows on both sides of Santa Rosa Avenue in Altadena, beautiful suburb of Pasadena, overlooking the city and valley below. The custom of lighting the trees at Christmas time was begun in 1920 and has since been observed each year.

County and city traffic officers will be aided by hundreds of Boy Scouts in the directing of traffic. All traffic will be routed north on streets parallel to Santa Rosa Avenue, thence on cross-streets to the head of the row of deodars. On Santa Rosa Avenue, all traffic will be one-way. Cars will be directed down the avenue, two abreast, with lights out. Motor-

SANTA CLAUS REPORTED AS LEAVING FRIDAY

Santa Claus and his reindeer will visit Sierra Madre Friday afternoon at 2:40 o'clock, according to information received at the News office from the Times. The engagement is presumably subject to cancellation if it rains, because the rain kept him from coming last Saturday morning according to previous announcement. Several hundred people waited in vain to see the reindeer.

In the last four years the South has turned out approximately 50,000,000 bales of cotton.

ists should drive north toward the mountains from downtown Pasadena on Lake Avenue, and follow the directions of traffic officers. The deodars, now almost 80 feet high and of perfect pyramidal growth, were planted in 1882 from seeds gathered on the slopes of the Himalaya Mountains.

In sincere appreciation of the year's patronage we extend hearty

Christmas Greetings

to all the people of Sierra Madre



J.F. Sadler & Co.

Let BUSY BUTTONS

Help You with that Christmas List



Check this List



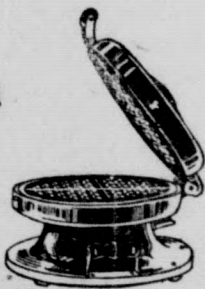
MORE and more the demand is for PRACTICAL GIFTS--for things that will last and will be used every day. Among presents of this kind those which are handsome while at the same time useful are most appreciated

This happy combination is found in Electrical Gifts

The leader among gifts this year is the

Electric Waffle Iron

A beautiful present for any home. One that the whole family will endorse for everybody loves waffles. Priced from \$10.00 to \$18.00



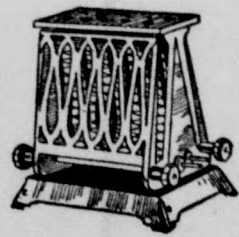
Percolators—Always Popular

Every cup of coffee brings pleasant memories of your thoughtfulness. We have a variety of styles priced from \$3.95 to \$42.00



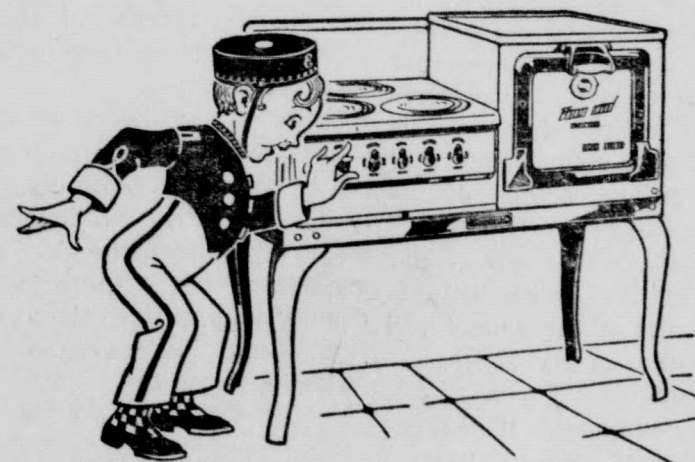
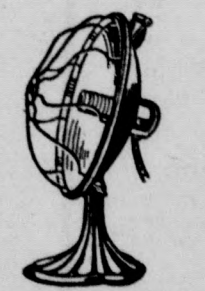
Toasters

This season we can offer you a high grade Electric Toaster (it turns the toast) at \$3.45. Other types from \$5.00 to \$10.00



Heaters

Make someone happy with a warmth that is genial and comfortable. We offer a splendid Edison appliance (made by Hotpoint) at \$6.50



The Gift Supreme--an Electric Range

Mother is out—At home the glistening electric range—an automatic regulation of the temperature—the simmering of a roast being automatically watched by Busy Buttons—Mother returns from a restful afternoon—Cheerful laughter and the call of "dinner is ready folks".....

Why not give Mother an electric range for Christmas? Prices and terms are attractive.

Electric Refrigerators

for the home are now available at prices and terms which will surprise you. Keep them in mind for Christmas. This may be the answer to one of your questions.

Wishing you the best of everything for

Christmas and the New Year



CLAUDE VEDDER
Everything Electrical

Green 125

60 Windsor Lane

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY

"Owned by Those It Serves"

News Editorial Page

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THE HOME TOWN CAMPAIGN

SIERRA MADRE business houses have just completed a home-trade advertising campaign that was unique in many respects. One of the important features of the campaign now in evidence is that it was effective.

This Home-Trade campaign extended over a period of seven weeks, with a full-page advertisement in the News each week. The advantages of patronizing home-town merchants were presented from many angles.

One of the unusual features of the advertising campaign was the fact that the names of the business houses supporting and paying for it did not appear in any of the advertising. They wanted it to appear as a community effort. Of course they expected to get their share of whatever benefit might be returned by the campaign. Primarily, however, they went into it as a means of unselfish community building.

Evidence that the Home Trade campaign has been effective comes from a variety of sources. From week to week many of the merchants reported that they heard comment from their customers showing that they were reading the advertisements. Similar comment came to the News office.

During the past two weeks the pupils of the upper grades in the public schools have engaged in an essay contest on the subject of the advantages of trading with Sierra Madre stores. Prizes were offered by the News and half a dozen merchants for the best essays. Out of all the essays written by the pupils forty-two were submitted by the teachers for consideration by the judges. These essays showed in some instances that the authors had been following the Home Trade advertisements in the News. The ads were not copied but the development of the thought was so similar as to indicate that the advertising argument had been sown in fertile ground. The essays are under consideration by the judges as this is written and the results of the contest will appear in another column of the News.

The essay contest makes a fitting climax to the Home Trade campaign. It typifies an essential element of all such campaigns. Their effect cannot be measured by any yardstick of immediate cash receipts. The whole thing is a matter of education. It must be everlastingly reiterated. There is no such thing as educating the public so it will stay educated on the subject. The public is always changing. The public is not the same this year as it will be next year. There is no ground for claiming that it is forever the same old message. For the argument goes to a new public every time it is presented.

To the merchants who bore the expense of this unique Home Trade advertising campaign full credit should be given. Because their names did not appear in the advertising it is fitting that they should be published here by way of acknowledgement. They were as follows:

G. I. Farman, electrical dealer and contractor.

Sierra Madre Hardware Co., hardware and plumbing.

Sierra Madre Furniture Co., furniture and house furnishings.

S. R. Norris, groceries, meats, chinaware, etc.

Central Pharmacy, drugs, sundries, confectionery, etc.

Fraiberg Company, jewelry.

J. F. Sadler & Co., dry goods and men's furnishings.

Woodson F. Jones, victrolas, kodaks, radios, stationery.

R. G. McLellan & Son, department store, dry goods, men's furnishings.

Olsen Shoe Store, shoes, hosiery, shoe repairs.

M. D. Welsher, grocery and meat market. Austin Gibbs, meat market.

J. Draman, shoes, shoe repairing, etc. F. H. Hartman & Son, the Rexall Drug Store.

Wheeling & Strickland, hardware, gas-ware, paints, etc.

Lindley Eddy Studios, art goods and gift shop.

Sierra Madre Savings Bank.

Conspicuous among the values enumerated in the school children's essays were the qualities of good will, friendly cooperation and loyalty. These appear both as cause and effect in the matter of home trading. Fair values are a necessary result. These are the points emphasized throughout the campaign and which it is hoped will remain in the public mind long after it is over.

ABOLISH ONE HOUSE

A STATE legislature with two houses is about as necessary as a two-headed calf. Under the mis-named Federal Plan of apportionment adopted at the November election the senatorial districts of California will be determined by county lines, regardless of population. The assembly districts will be based upon population. If it had been the intent of the framers of the law to invent barriers to legislative efficiency, they could not have done better.

In naming this plan the Federal Plan was falsely assumed that the relation of the county to the state is analogous to the relation between the state and the federal government. States have an inherent and independent individuality which does not exist with counties. There was a reason for the plan of representation adopted in the federal congress which does not exist in the state legislature.

In California there are strong differences of sentiment between the north and the south. Under the new Federal Plan the north will control the senate merely because it has the most counties. The south will dominate the assembly because it has the bulk of population. With the two sections at odds the inevitable deadlock can be easily foreseen.

Under the Federal Plan the bi-cameral (good word—look it up) system will tend to tie up all legislative action. Its only recommendation will come from people who believe the less legislation the better. Under any circumstances two houses simply increase state expense without commensurate returns.

With a legislature of only one house, there would be a saving in expense; responsibility would be definitely placed; the office would be important enough to command better grade men than are often sent to the legislature now; there would be no hindrance to effective action, and representation would be guaranteed on the proper basis of population.

VANISHING AMERICA

The forest primeval.

The old oaken bucket.

The little red school.

A gentleman, a scholar and a judge of good whiskey.

The one-horse shay.

Woman's crowning glory.

The village smithy.

Milady's petticoat.

The blue and the grey.

Esq.

If you would have a good wife marry one who has been a good daughter.—Fuller.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

HAVE you read the account of wet-weather conditions at the public school, as related in last week's News by Mrs. Gruit? If not, hunt up that paper before it is destroyed, or come to the News office and get another. If you have any interest in public affairs, or any sympathy in your makeup for little children, it will get under your skin.

Whether you read the story or not, just make a date with yourself for the next rainy school day. Go up to the school house and see what is imposed upon the littlest pupils above kindergarten age. It will be a little better than it was at the time of the last rain, because some drainage facilities have been installed. But at best the old building has irremediable faults in wet weather. They can only be appreciated from experience.

Reservations

By J. R. E.

The United States is not only a very wealthy nation, but it is also a most extravagant nation. Not only is money expended recklessly on pleasures and luxuries, but even in the extending of charity there is apt to be a thoughtless disregard of all the proprieties that may be conjured up in the most fertile imagination.

Dr. Arthur O. Pritchard of the Congregational Church and the writer were discussing this phase of our modern existence the other day and he told me this story:

It seems the secretary of the Associated Charities in New York City had been struck by this apparent disregard on the part of people, especially in the matter of bestowing money on curbstone beggars, so he decided to make a test and endeavor to discover the approximate "earnings" of a beggar during a certain period of the day. He chose the hour when the shop girls were coming from their day's work and seated himself in a conspicuous position, dressed in his every-day business suit and with his hat in his hand. He used no "help the blind" or "I am deaf and dumb" sign and made no plea for alms. Yet, in two hours time he accumulated the sum of \$35.

It is seldom necessary for beggars to ply their trade more than two or three hours a day in order to gain a splendid "salary." Most beggars now days ride in their own high-priced automobiles — when off duty—and for from being grateful for alms really look with contempt upon the people who "fall" for their "line."

Strangely enough, people who really need assistance and who would be only too glad of an opportunity to help themselves, are among the very last to make their needs known. It is in such cases where the Red Cross and such organizations as our own Volunteer Firemen with their famous Christmas Fund do their best work.

Mister Doheny and Mister Fall have been given clean bills and dismissed from worries incident to the Elk River leases. Some day the United States government will bring a case against somebody for something or other and convict him—and that will be real news.

Stanley McLellan tells this one in connection with credits:

A young fellow went into a city store and tried to cash a check, but failed to negotiate the deal. "That's durned funny," he said.

"You fellows don't know me and won't cash my check, and back home they DO know me and won't cash my checks. What is a fellow going to do?"

From the Old News Files

TWENTY YEARS AGO

W. C. Hall was building a real estate office on Mountain Trail Avenue for Miss M. C. Brandt.

Lewis Newcomb was building a residence on Grand View Avenue for his brother-in-law, A. E. Pettitt, of Marshalltown, Iowa.

J. D. Rasmussen reported the sale of more than fifty turkeys to supply the Christmas trade.

The Home Telephone Company of Monrovia decided to install a Sierra Madre exchange with a capacity of 250 phones and free switching service to Monrovia and Pasadena.

Dr. Van Winkle, son of Mrs. E. R. Bird, opened a dental office in Sierra Madre.

S. R. G. Twycross reported the sale of a lot on Baldwin Avenue to E. N. Mead, and a lot on Grandin Avenue to N. W. Tarr.

TEN YEARS AGO

H. A. Unruh died at Arcadia at the age of 73. He was for many years business manager for Lucky Baldwin and later was administrator of the Baldwin Estate.

J. J. Graham, a resident of Sierra Madre since 1891, passed away at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Graham. He was a member of the hardware firm of Clark and Graham, and served as city clerk soon after the city was incorporated.

Dr. James McLaren, famous lecturer, filled the pulpit of the Congregational Church while the church was without a pastor.

Sierra Madre Democrats gathered at the Sierra Madre Inn for a "Woodrow Wilson Dinner." City Attorney C. C. Montgomery presided and Hon. Nathan Newby of Los Angeles was the principal speaker. Mayor Dietz and Rev. W. H. Stubbs also spoke briefly.

Some of our modern kitchens are so small that the housewives have to use condensed milk for cooking.

Jack Buchan says a fellow down at the beach offered a prize of \$2 for the man who could stay under water longest. Three Scotchmen who entered the contest drowned.

Mrs. Hall, Mr. Doheny, Col. Green, etcetera, are pure and white as the driven snow; their respective juries have said so. Cheer up, Aimie, it looks like there is a Santa Claus after all.

It probably would "burn Rudy up" to know that Pola wouldn't give more than three-ninety-nine for hte picture over which she made such a fuss.

NORRIS

ESTABLISHED 1887



A Joyous Christmas

May your Christmas Tree blossom
With pleasure and cheer;
I am sure that it will
If you bought your things here.



S. R. NORRIS

SIERRA MADRE
DEPARTMENT STORE

Phones: Main 12; Main 205
331 West Central

Have you forgotten anyone?

LAST MINUTE GIFT SUGGESTIONS

Victrola Records

Kodaks

Kodak Supplies

Radios and

Radio Accessories

Fountain Pens

Magazine Pencils

Stationery

Books

Toys

Greeting and

Gift Cards

Woodson F. Jones

Main 182

31 N. Baldwin

Best Wishes to All

for a

Merry Christmas

and a

Prosperous New Year

Langley's Barber Shop

ALVIN LANGLEY, Prop.

Fresh Eggs—Goats' Milk

DELIVERED DAILY

Ruth Cornuelle :: Elizabeth Polsue
Black 101 Black 51

Christmas Greetings

Memorie Fancy Packed Fruits in Redwood boxes and cartons.
Fresh California Dates, in baskets or glass.
Ward's Marmalades in redwood boxes; one, two and six glasses to the box.

For Christmas Dinners

TURKEYS, Extra Fancy
MINCE PIES—Iris and Heinz Mince Meat
SYLMAR FIGS, in cans and glass
Cranberries, Bananas, Squash, Silver-Skin Onions
CHRISTMAS CANDIES AND NUTS

M. D. WELSHER

CENTRAL MARKET

Grocery Phone, Main 6 Meat Market, Main 97

Chaffees
WHERE CASH BEATS CREDIT

SERVICE QUALITY

MEAT MARKET

Specials

Leg Pork 30c
Swift's Hams, whole or half . 38c
Swift's Bacon, whole or half . 47c
Turkeys 58c
Ducks 43c
Geese 43c
Dry Picked Chickens 43c
Sirloin Steak, Porterhouse, T-Bone 20c
Round Steak, Rib Steak 20c

Tel. Main 174

35 N. Baldwin

Gibbs Market

QUALITY ---NOT QUANTITY
No. 1 Steer Beef Exclusively

Pork Sausage, lb. 30c
Boiling Beef 15c
Pot Roast 18c
Leg of Pork, whole or half . 35c
Swifts Premium Hams, whole or half 38c

Remember our Poultry is No. 1 Quality and fresh killed.

Free delivery of orders of \$1 or more.

Gibbs Market

Main 245

38 West Central

All Around the Town

Firemen Win Gratitude of Local Family—

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Lasiter of 642 North Auburn are very grateful to the local Volunteer Firemen, and they are anxious to have the people of Sierra Madre know why. Mrs. Lasiter is ill at her home and Mr. Lasiter is extremely busy, due to business matters. Betty Lou, their little daughter, is at the Lutheran Hospital in Los Angeles and under the circumstances finds it very lonely. So the Firemen, who had a tree at their Christmas party the other night, voted to send it to Betty Lou, together with a gift which they purchased from funds donated that same evening.

Mrs. W. C. Gruit of 110 South Sunnyside, is entertaining her sister, Miss Alice Myers, over the holidays.

Mrs. John Osgood has returned from a business trip to Warner Hot Springs.

News Notes from Here and There

Elimination of children's bad habits is now being undertaken by the Pomona College Habit Clinic, which is entering its second year of service. Last year the clinic studied forty-seven different cases and in most instances the psychologists were able to eliminate baneful habits, it is asserted.

Southern California conference colleges will be represented at the annual meeting of the National Collegiate Athletic Association to be held in New York City, December 29 and 30, by Dean Ernest J. Jaqua of Pomona College and President Bird of Occidental.

Endorsing the Oxford tutorial system for American colleges, the National Student Federation of America in its recent meeting at Ann Arbor, Mich., recommended that college faculties recognize student participation and study of the curriculum and that college coaches should receive no larger remuneration than the highest-paid professors.

Eighty-eight thousand more fans paid admission at Southern California's ten games during the past season than purchased tickets for thirteen games on the Trojans' 1925 football schedule. The past season attracted \$67,600 cash customers.

Don Williams, sub Trojan quarterback who scored Southern California's second touchdown against Notre Dame December 4, chalked up more than ten yards a minute during his march. He was in the game six minutes and rolled up 65 yards before he was injured and had to retire from the game.

Fighting cocks will fly at each other in Leavenworth until present laws are amended. It is learned that the statutes now prohibit cock fighting in Kansas only from midnight Saturday to midnight of Sunday.

The national women's track and field meet, scheduled for Pasadena early in July, will probably be staged in the Rose Bowl.

More than 40,000 orchard heaters have been located in citrus groves in the North Whittier Heights district to combat the expected frosts this winter.

The \$500,000 home for the Mission Play, written and produced by John Steven McGroarty at San Gabriel for several years past, is expected to be ready for occupancy and the first play staged within its walls some time in February, according to an announcement by President Hollingsworth of the Mission Play Corporation, which has taken over the project.

A New York man was awarded \$20,000 for being hit by a trowel which dropped from the fourteenth story of a building under construction. It's dangerous to stand close to a new building like that, especially when the noon whistle blows.—Watertown (S.D.) Herald.

Our country is now using yearly 70,000,000 pounds of artificial silk made from cellulose, of which about 40 per cent, or 28,000,000 pounds comes from wood.

Celebrated Birthday Anniversary—

The home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Lord, 52 West Grand View, was the scene of a merry dinner party last Friday night. Their daughter Ruth celebrated her eleventh birthday anniversary with the enthusiastic help of eighteen young friends. After the delicious chicken dinner, the company enjoyed an hour of interesting games.

Donald Thayer who has spent several months with his family at his home on North Grove street will leave for New York on December 29. From January to June Mr. Thayer will fill concert engagements throughout the east, returning home to spend the summer. Last winter Mr. and Mrs. Thayer spent in Italy where he studied voice and sang in opera.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnett Rashin of San Pedro are house guests of the Laidlaws at 83 North Sunnyside. Mr. Rashin is an officer in the Coast Guard.

Sierra Madre Shriners in attendance at the big ceremonial of Al Malaikah Temple Monday night were J. Milton Steinberger, Dr. W. W. Murphy, Mark Jackson, R. G. McLellan and W. F. Kirschner.

Christmas Day fallign on a Saturday, their regular matinee day, the Pasadena Community Players are going to give the usual performance of their delightful holiday comedy, "The Goose Hangs High," which is the current offering for every night this week. This typical American family life play by Lewis Beach is full of the holiday spirit, its action taking place while two children of the family are home for Christmas, and is proving very popular with playgoers.

Mrs. Lela Roulette, is spending Christmas and the holidays in Loma Portals, San Diego, with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Roulette.

Carl S. Newcomer, member of the Pasadena board of city managers and a real estate dealer, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Farndale are the parents of another little daughter, Mary Ellen, who arrived Sunday afternoon at their home, 171 East Grand View Avenue.

W. I. Grant is expected to arrive in time to celebrate Christmas at the home of his son, Ray A. Grant, 201 West Central. Mrs. Grant Senior arrived about a month ago. They will remain some time for a visit.

Capt. J. A. Osgood of 617 West Montecito is confined to his bed, due to illness.

Leroy Embree, 7-year-old-son of r. and Mrs. A. H. Embree, 535 North Auburn, suffered a severe laceration of the right limb, just below the knee, Wednesday morning, when his coaster struck a small rock and gave him a "spill." He was taken to Dr. Gilbert S. Bovard's office and three stitches were required to close the wound. The little fellow displayed a world of grit during the "operation" and while he cried a wee bit, he sat up and "took his medicine" like a little Spartan.



GLADSTONE
Dec. 29, 1809-1898

"Just criticism sharpens our sword that we may repel unjust attacks."

OURS is a capable organization and the service conducted by us meets all requirements of a dignified obligation.

Ray A. Grant
FUNERAL DIRECTOR
Main 93
201 West Central

PICTURES

Make desirable Christmas presents.

A beautiful line of framed pictures; new subjects, special values, at

\$1.50 to \$3.00

Sierra Madre Furniture Co.

Blue 219

::

12-14 North Baldwin

At this Christmas Time:

Comes a sincere thank you; first for your liberal patronage, then for the privilege of living among and with you in the best little city in the U. S. A.

R. G. McLELLAN & SON

DEPARTMENT STORE
"The Store That Sells for Less"

Black 181

SIERRA MADRE, CALIF.

26 West Central

THE MONKEY WRENCH

Published in the Interest of Hardware, Plumbing and Paint Buyers.

No. 17

31-35 West Central. Friday, Dec. 24

Vol. 1

To Our Patrons, Whom We Delight to Think of as Our Friends:

Greeting:

The Monkey Wrench pauses in its mad career to wish you the Compliments of the Season and hopes that the coming year holds in store for each and every one an abundance of happiness and prosperity.

For your good will, as shown by your generous patronage, we are indeed grateful and trust that in a small measure at least we have merited it by our sincere efforts to serve.

Sierra Madre Hardware Co.

Tel. Main 98

A total of forty-seven cattle, twenty-nine sheep and 130 hogs move to market in the U. S. every minute.

Papa Didn't Know

LAST Saturday afternoon OVER in front of the FURNITURE store we saw A MAN holding a small BOY about two years OLD and the baby was GIVING all his time AND attention to an ICE cream cone and THE ice cream was DRIPPING all over Papa's NICE blue serge suit, BUT Papa didn't know AND neither did the BABY, and what we DON'T know doesn't HURT us a bit, as SOMEBODY remarked one TIME—which just prompts US to say that you MAY now possess a COMPACT that is ENTIRELY satisfactory BUT you can't know the REAL value of a SHARI compact until YOU own one. MERRY Christmas!

Rudolph

F. H. Hartman & Son
Phone Black 25

To all the people of Sierra Madre we extend good wishes for a

Merry Christmas

together with thanks for the pleasant relations of the past year.

CENTRAL PHARMACY

A. G. UTTER

Main 224

36 West Central

Insurance

Aetna, Home, Royal, Liverpool & London & Globe, Fireman's Fund.
ANDREWS & HAWKS

81 W. Central Ave.
Phone Exchange 2

WANTADS

WORK WANTED

WANTED: Good home, capable person, middle age, boy 13. Can sew; full charge if needed. Box 262, Sierra Madre. 12*14a

WANTED: House work by day or hour. 78 W. Highland. 11*1a

CARPENTER and cabinet work, jobbing of all kinds. J. A. McCloskey, 148 N. Mt. Trail, Red 49. 46ctf

HEMSTITCHING—8c and 10c yd. Mrs. C. F. House, Woman's Club House, Black 17, or Sadler's, 33tf

MARCELLING: Mrs. V. Wagner. 138 W. Montecito, Black 68. 6*14a

FOR SALE Real Estate

FOR SALE: West Central Ave. property, improved and unimproved, at a very low price. C. J. Harriman, 154 W. Central, Sierra Madre, Cal. 12*14c

FOR RENT

BELLA VISTA TERRACE—Has apartments for rent \$50 and up; office apt. 4; phone Blue 92. 23*tf

MIRA MONTE HOTEL—426 N. Auburn. Furn. rooms and apts. with or without meals. Phone Green 19. 1*tf

THE HAYDEN GARDENS—385-399 N. Baldwin Ave.; bungalows for rent; new and beautifully furnished; phone Red 28. 37*tf

FOR RENT: 5 rm. beautifully furnished house, all modern, sun room, sleeping porch and garage, \$35 per mo. 2 bks. from car line; right in mts. 255 N. Grove. Tel. Black 195. 10*tf

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FERTILIZER: Pulverized cow manure for lawns and shrubbery, \$1 per bag, delivered. Ward Nursery. Blue 29. 37*tf

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FOR SALE: St. Andrewsburg roller canaries. Males in full song. Phone, Blue 197. 11*13c

FOR SALE: R.I.R. cockerels for breeding; also roasters. Phone Blue 78. 12*14c

FOR SALE: Double bed, spring and mattress, \$15.00; also Underwood portable typewriter. \$30. Green 47. 12*14c

CHRISTMAS HOME-MADE CANDIES
Bon bons, chocolate creams & nougat, fudge, peppermint and wintergreen wafers, peanut brittle. Call at Richards' Bake Shop or phone Green 135. 12*14c

BICYCLE FOR SALE: Good condition, \$20. Black 23. 12*14c

FOR SALE: Limes, 35c dozen, delivered. T. H. Graham, 457 N. Lima. Phone Black 13. 13*tf

FOR SALE: Young turkeys, 55c lb., alive. 60c lb. dressed. Red 177. 12*14i

Church News

News items concerning church services and other activities will be published under this heading without charge if brought to the News office by Wednesday morning. No standing notices will be run under this heading, as it is desired that all church news be timely.

Church of the Ascension (Episcopal)

The Rev. M. D. Kneeland, B. D., Rector. The Rev. Wm. Carson Shaw, Rector Emeritus.

December 26 (Sunday) S. Stephen Martyr. (First Sunday after Christmas.)

Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m. Church School, 9:30 a. m. Choral Eucharist and sermon, 11:00 a. m.

Evansong and choir recital 7:30 p. m.

December 27 (Monday) and December 28 (Tuesday) Feasts of S. John the Evangelist and of the Holy Innocents.

Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m. This coming Friday, the Eve of Christmas, children's vespers in Church at 7 p. m., followed by presentation of the play, "The Christ Child," in Parish House, and the lighting of the tree.

Saturday, December 25, Christmas Day. A holy day of obligation, when all of the faithful of the church are bidden to make the communions.

Festal Choral Eucharist with address, 8 a. m.

Bethany Temple
Elwood P. Lyon, LL.D., Minister

9:30—Sunday School. Dr. F. H. Cram, Superintendent.

11—Worship and sermon. "The Saint a Sojourner."

6:30—C. E. meeting. A missionary service.

7:30—Song and sermon. "An Arabian Desert Romance."

7:30—Tuesday. Bible Class. Dr. Lyon.

7:30—Wednesday prayer meeting; followed by monthly business meeting.

Friday night, watch meeting at Bethany. A full and interesting program for the evening. Speaking, recitations, special music and a social time. All welcome.

St. Rita's Catholic Church
Corner of Baldwin and East Grand View Ave. Rev. Hyacinth Clarey, C. P., in charge.

Sunday Masses 7 and 9 a. m. Week day Mass, 7 a. m.

Confessions Saturday, 4, 6, 7, 9. Christmas Program

High Mass at midnight. Second Mass at 7 a. m.

Third Mass at 9 a. m., followed by Benediction.

Confessions will be heard, Children, Friday, 9 a. m.; Adults, afternoon, 2:30 and evening at 7.

UNITY CENTER
Rooms over Woman's Club House, 270 West Central

10 to 11—Sunday School. 3:00 to 4:00—Thursdays, regular meeting. Everyone welcome.

The giant Sequoias are the largest and oldest living things in the world. The General Sherman tree, is thought to be the largest living tree. It is 279.9 feet tall and 36.5 feet in diameter above the root swelling. The bark, which is about a foot thick, affords a measure of protection against insect attack. Trees of this species live to be 3000 or more years old. They are found only in California, but in earlier times they grew in other regions as well.

His Cure
"The falling leaves fill me with melancholy thoughts," said the poetic person.

"They used to have that effect on me," returned the prosy man. "What changed you?"

"I moved into an apartment and don't have to rake them up any more."—Boston Transcript.

servative estimates, amounting to nearly \$1,000,000, of which more than three-quarters of a million were timber losses. Figures on additional losses of forage, wild life, water conservation and recreational resources are not available.

The leading fire forests were: Shasta, 329 fires, 85,542 acres burned; Plumas, 181 fires, 30,988 acres burned; Klamath, 161 fires, 111,412 acres burned; Sequoia, 122 fires, 104,262 acres burned.

Film Tells Romance of South Seas

When admirers of Milton Sills and Betty Bronson see this brilliant pair on the screen Friday and Saturday at the Wistaria Theater in First National's "Paradise," they will have a rare surprise in store. When they are crowned king and queen of Paradise Islands, located in the South Seas, they both wear costumes similar to those worn by the natives of the islands.

"Across the Pacific," Warners' spectacular melodrama of the Spanish-American War, built around the capture of the rebel Aguinaldo in the Philippines, comes Sunday. Roy Del Ruth directed the making of the vast panorama which includes nearly 1000 people. It is a story of fighting romance, love, intrigue and whirlwind mirth—starring the virile and versatile Monte Blue.

Rex Ingram's "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," the film that first brought fame to Rudolph Valentino, is returning here Tuesday. Alice Terry plays opposite him in this Metro-Goldwyn screen epic, which is a vivid picture of the famous Blasco Ibanez novel.

Life for a fashionable Parisienne is a gay and colorful affair, if judged by the splendor and diversity of the wardrobes provided for Florence Vidor and Greta Nissen, star and featured player in "The Popular Sin," a new Malcolm St. Clair Paramount production coming Thursday only.

In Monta Bell's screen satire on love and divorce among the denizens of the social and theatrical worlds of the French capital, the feminine members of the cast meet every situation in attire that pleases the eye as well as suits the occasion.

Milt Steinberger has just turned out a Ford sedan belonging to Peter Beconis with a new coat of Duco that looks as if it had just come from the factory. This air-brush paint business is a fascinating proposition and the rear end of the Sierra Madre Garage is being turned into a regulation Duco paint shop.

For several months Milt has been carrying on his own experimental work on old cars before undertaking to turn out commercial work. Now he is keeping one or two men busy all the time and the paint department bids fair to

become a large factor in the Sierra Madre Garage business.

The amazing speed with which Duco is applied by the air-brush method (if you know how) seems to indicate that the time may come when you can get your car painted without much more ado than a washing and polishing job takes nowadays. But the know-how is the big thing, both in the preparation and the actual painting.

Congregational Church

Rev. Arthur O. Pritchard, Pastor
"The Continually Coming Christ" will be the topic of the Pastor's sermon on Sunday morning.

Miss Eleanor Miller and Rev. J. C. Worley of Pasadena will give an illuminated travelogue on "Egypt and Palestine in Song and Story" at 7:30 p. m. next Sunday.

The next communion service and reception of members will come on Sunday, June 9, at 11 o'clock.

The annual meeting of the church will take place at the church on Wednesday, January 5. There will be a dinner at 6:30 followed by reports and the transaction of business.

Christian Science

Corner Highland and Hermosa
Christian Science Society of Sierra Madre is a branch of the mother church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

9:30 a. m.—Sunday School. 11 a. m.—Sunday service, subject, Dec. 26, "Christian Science."

8 p. m.—Wednesday testimony meeting.

Reading room open daily from 2 to 5 except Sunday and holidays.

Swift Paint Job Is Done By Air Brush

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EPISODE V.

Sunday, Monday; December 26-27—

MONTE BLUE, JANE WINTON & MYRNA LOY

—in—
"ACROSS THE PACIFIC"

COMEDY—"QUICK SERVICE"

Tuesday, Wednesday; December 28-29—

RUDOLPH VALENTINO and ALICE TERRY

—in—
"THE FOUR HORSEMEN OF THE APOCALYPSE"

COMEDY—"KEEP TRYING"

Thursday, December 30, Only—

FLORENCE VIDOR and CLIVE BROOK

—in—
"THE POPULAR SIN"

COMEDY—"CHICKEN CHASER"

Friday, Saturday; December 31, January 1—

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City Girls Will Vend Flowers at Pasadena on New Year's Day



Pictured above are a few of the fair maidens who will vend the flowers of their respective cities and communities on the streets of Pasadena during the Tournament of Roses January 1. Each city participating in the fete has chosen a particular flower as its official emblem. Every spectator will be urged to wear the flower of his or her home town as a floral badge. Silver trophies will be awarded to the vendors wearing the most pleasing costumes.

The Clown's Christmas

By H. Lucius Cook

For years he had been funny. For years he had painted his face, worn funny clothes and had made

traveled first of all in country with a road circus. When the road circus was out of business, more or less, he joined a road circus abroad. And now he was very old. But every afternoon and every night for ten months of the year he made jokes. He was in a small circus, so sometimes he had to take other parts.

The performing fox terriers acted with him. They were his pets. And how he loved them. How could some people be unkind to their pets?

Not the old clown.

There was the donkey, too. When he paid too much attention to the dogs the donkey came along and gave him a push to tell him that the donkey, too, wanted attention.

And now he had planned to have a holiday. A long holiday. He would take a little place and with his donkey and his fox terriers they would rest after their work. They would not join the circus another year. They were all too old.

How tired he had become after some of the performances that year. He had washed his face in the basin of cold water outside his wagon and had not even bothered to get off all the make-up.

The water was cold. It was hard to heat water after the performance was over, and only a little of the paint came off—only a little cold-looking pink water was at the bottom of the basin.

But the dogs didn't mind. They slept on the end or by the side of the cot in his wagon. They jumped in after him each evening, and they each kissed him good night. They didn't mind paint. They were used to it.

Oh, yes, he would take a long, long holiday. He would rest on the little he had managed to save. It would be enough for him and his pets.

As the days passed along he seemed to feel rested and the strength he had new vigor and strength. It was splendid to feel rested again. A family had invited him to Christmas dinner—and he had accepted and he had asked, too, if he could come with his donkey and bring his dogs along. They, he said, would help put on a little show for the children. It was all agreed.

But when Christmas afternoon came and the Christmas dinner was over, and the old clown was beginning his show for the chil-

dren, he knew then that he could never take more than a few months' holiday from being a clown.

The laughter and the delight and the shrieks and the cries of joy from the children were things the old clown could not get along without.

This Christmas had shown him that.

NOTICE INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS FOR STREET WORK

Pursuant to the "Improvement Act of 1911" and all Acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof and to Resolution No. 302 of the Board of Trustees of the City of Sierra Madre, adopted on the 9th day of December, 1926, directing this notice, the undersigned, City Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Trustees of said City of Sierra Madre, hereby invites and will receive up to seven-thirty o'clock P. M. of Thursday, January 13th, 1927, at his office in the City Hall of said City of Sierra Madre, sealed proposals or bids for doing the following street work, to-wit:

(a) That that portion of said GRAND VIEW AVENUE between the westerly line of Canon Avenue and the prolongation and extension Northerly across said Grand View Avenue of the Easterly line of Lot 10 of the Sierra Madre Tract as per map recorded in Book 4, Pages 502 and 503 of Miscellaneous Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, including all street intersections between said limits, be improved by certain grading, and by the construction of certain three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement; certain cement concrete curb and wing walls; cement curbs; concrete gutters; reconstruction and extension of reinforced concrete culvert and intakes; cement concrete and corrugated iron pipe intake with steel grating; and a reinforced concrete retaining wall, including all appurtenances;

(b) That that portion of said ACACIA AVENUE between the Northerly line of said Grand View Avenue, and a line drawn across said Acacia Avenue ten (10) feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of said Grand View Avenue, be improved by certain grading and by the construction of certain three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement, cement curbs and concrete gutters.

(c) That that portion of said CAMILLO STREET between the northerly line of said Grand View Avenue, and a line drawn across said Camillo Street ten (10) feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of said Grand View Avenue, be improved by certain grading and by the construction of certain three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement, cement curbs and concrete gutters.

(d) That that portion of said SYCAMORE PLACE between the northerly line of Grand View Avenue and the northerly termination of said Sycamore Place, be improved by certain grading and by the construction of certain three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement, cement curbs, concrete gutters, and cement sidewalks.

(e) That that portion of said

ALEGRIA AVENUE between a line drawn across said Alegria Avenue twenty (20) feet westerly from and parallel with the westerly line of Mountain Trail Avenue and the southeasterly end of said Alegria Avenue, being a line commencing at the most westerly corner of Lot 2, Tract No. 229, in said City of Sierra Madre, as per Map of said Tract recorded in Book 14, Page 69 of Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California and running thence southwesterly to a point in the southwesterly line of said Alegria Avenue located 175.33 feet southeasterly from the most northerly corner of Lot 10, Canon Tract, as per Map of said Tract recorded in Book 10, Page 66 of Maps in the office of the County Recorder of said Los Angeles County, be improved by certain grading and by the construction of certain three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement, concrete gutters, and reinforced concrete and corrugated iron, culvert laterals, with concrete intakes and wing-walls, including all appurtenances.

(f) That that portion of said CANON AVENUE between the northerly line of said Grand View Avenue and the northerly termination of said Canon Avenue, being the southeasterly termination of Alegria Avenue, hereinafter described; and also that the northerly side of the intersection of said Canon Avenue with Grand View Avenue, be improved by certain grading, and by the construction of certain three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement, concrete gutters, and the reconstruction and the extensions of reinforced concrete culvert intakes with wing-walls, including all appurtenances.

(g) That that portion of said MOUNTAIN TRAIL AVENUE between a line drawn across said Mountain Trail Avenue thirty (30) feet southerly from and parallel with the southerly line of said Alegria Avenue and a line drawn across said Mountain Trail Avenue twenty-five (25) feet northerly from and parallel with the northerly line of said Alegria Avenue, and including the intersection of said Mountain Trail Avenue and said Alegria Avenue, be improved by certain grading and by the construction of three (3) inch oiled macadam pavement, cement curbs, cement sidewalks, and the construction of reinforced concrete and corrugated iron culverts and laterals with reinforced concrete intakes, outlets and wing-walls, including all appurtenances, as shown on Improvement Plans for said work, all as specified in Resolution of Intention No. 297 of said City of Sierra Madre, same being the Resolution of Intention for said work or improvement, and to which said Resolution of Intention reference is hereby made for a further and more complete description of said work or improvement, and the assessment district and the Special Specifications of which, referred to in said description, are on file in the office of said City Clerk and also

conspicuously posted near the Council Chamber door of said Board of Trustees, and the description of said work or improvement and the assessment district in said Resolution of Intention No. 297 contained, is hereby expressly adopted and also made a part hereof, the same as though fully set forth herein.

That said contemplated work or improvement in the opinion of the Board of Trustees of said City of Sierra Madre is of more than local or ordinary public benefit, and said Board of Trustees hereby declares that the district to be benefited by said work or improvement, and to be assessed to pay the costs and expenses thereof, is described in Resolution of Intention No. 297 of said City of Sierra Madre, adopted by said Board of Trustees December 9th, 1926, to which said Resolution reference is hereby made for a description of said district.

The said Board of Trustees also determines and declares that serial bonds bearing interest at the rate of seven (7) per cent per annum shall be issued to represent each assessment of Twenty-five (25) Dollars or more remaining unpaid for twenty (20) days after the date of the warrant. Said serial bonds shall extend over a period ending nine (9) years from the second day of January next succeeding the fifteenth (15) day of the next November following their date. Payments on the principal of unpaid assessments and interest shall be made by property owners to the City Treasurer and the same shall be disbursed by him, all as provided in the "Improvement Act of 1911," hereinafter referred to.

All of the proceedings for the improvement and for the issuance of said bonds shall be had and taken under and in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, known and designated as the "Improvement Act of 1911," approved April 7, 1911, and under all Acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

Bidders must file with each proposal or bid, a check payable to said City of Sierra Madre, certified by a responsible bank, for an amount which shall not be less than ten per cent of the aggregate of the proposal, or a bond for said amount and so payable, signed by the bidder and two sureties, who shall justify before any officer competent to administer an oath, in double the said amount and over and above all statutory exemptions, said checks or bonds to be returned to bidders after the award of contract is made, except as provided in aforesaid "Improvement Act of 1911."

Bids must be submitted on forms provided therefor which will be furnished by the City Clerk upon application. Dated at the office of the City Clerk of said City of Sierra Madre, December 13th, 1926.

L. DIETZ,
City Clerk of the City of Sierra Madre.

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE ON FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE, No. 211-489.

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles.

THOMAS A. REYNOLDS, Plaintiff,

—vs—
ADDISON B. RITCHEY, ET AL, Defendants.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, issued out of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Los Angeles, on the first day of December, 1926, in the above entitled action, wherein the above named plaintiff obtained judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against Addison B. Ritchey and Edna C. Ritchey, Defendants, on the 1st day of December, 1926, for the sum of Forty-four Hundred Seventy and 5-100 Dollars GOLD COIN of the United States, which said judgment and decree was on the 3d day of December, 1926, entered and recorded in Judgment Book 639 at page 133 et seq. (to which judgment and decree reference is hereby made), I am commanded to sell at public auction all the following described premises, situated, lying and being in County of Los Angeles, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

The North sixty-three (63) feet of the South one hundred twenty-seven (127) feet of Lot One (1) and the West thirty (30) feet of the North fifty-two (52) feet of the South one hundred sixteen (116) feet of Lot Two (2) of the Claremont Tract, as per map recorded in Book 19, Page 49, Miscellaneous Records of said County.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, the 31 day of January, 1927, at 10 A. M. of that day in front of the Court House door of the County of Los Angeles, Broadway entrance, I will, in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, sell the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment with interest and costs and expenses of sale, to the highest and best bidder for cash, Gold Co. of the United States.

Dated December 6, 1926.
R. E. ALLEN,
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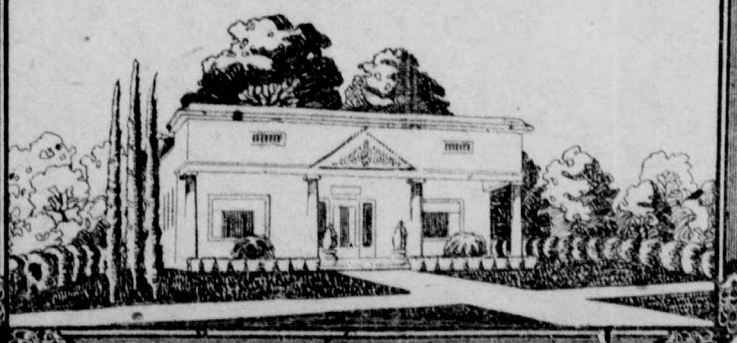
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Vogel Made Bequest To Life Saver

Boyhood Friend Reaps Rich Reward for Long Forgotten Act

Among the bequests provided in the will of the late H. O. Vogel of Sierra Madre was one of \$20,000 to Helman Scholz of Dubuque, Iowa. A copy of the Cedar Rapids Gazette brought to the News office by Mark Jackson contains the following item telling the story back of that bequest:

Dubuque, Io.—Twenty thousand dollars out of a clear sky!

That is what has come to Helman Scholz, assistant cashier of the Dubuque First National Bank.

Years ago when he was a youth, Mr. Scholz, then living at Guttenberg, pulled an acquaintance, Herman O. Vogel, out of the Mississippi River, saving him from death by drowning. Mr. Vogel was a poor man, but he declared that some day he would reward his rescuer.

As the years went by, both men left Guttenberg to make their way in the world elsewhere. Mr. Scholz became a bank employe in Dubuque and has advanced to the position of assistant cashier. Mr. Vogel went to California as a boy with his father, and became a millionaire. They heard little of each other during late years.

Some months ago Mr. Vogel left his home at Sierra Madre, Calif., for a tour of Europe. During his trip he took sick and died at Innesbruck, Austria.

His will, filed for probate at Los Angeles, lists personal property valued at \$447,300, Los Angeles city street bonds valued at \$300,000, real estate and chattel mortgages value at \$81,000 and other pieces of real estate.

Among the bequests is the one of \$20,000 to Helman Scholz, of Dubuque.

Delightful Dinner for Public School Instructors—

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Newton, 217 South Baldwin Avenue, was the scene of a delightful dinner party last Friday night when ten of the public school teachers were their guests. Their daughters, Betty, Mildred and Martha, waited on the table, first marshalling the guests to their places with a stern bit of discipline which showed the teachers how it feels to have the threat of five hours detention hanging over them. The table decorations were unique, the chief feature being a team of six fine reindeer pulling a sled laden with what proved to be a grab bag of gifts for the teachers. A delicious four-course dinner was served. The guests included Meses. Stanley, Kendall, Moore, Wood, Adams and Wheeler, and Meses Steinberger, Wones, Mundorff and Wheeler.

Rehearsal Changed

Mrs. Dickinson announces that the practice meeting of the new officers, Eastern Star, will be held next Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Masonic Temple. The date was changed on account of the Baumgart lecture which is to be given Thursday night under the auspices of the Masonic lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hartman of North Baldwin Avenue, are being entertained at dinner Christmas by Dr. and Mrs. G. J. Hartman of 196 East Central.

MASQUE WINS PRAISE FOR FINE INTERPRETATION

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any ordinary single production. Much of the beauty of the performance is due to the perfection of costuming designed and supervised by Mrs. S. C. Seantlebury. As an authority on costumes of all nations, she brings rare ability to the task. She was ably assisted by Mrs. Staff.

Mrs. W. S. Hull was chairman of the general committee in charge, and was assisted by Miss Grant and Mrs. R. J. Lord. Properties were in charge of Mrs. Mildred Taylor. The lighting effects which played such an important part were handled by Rudolph Hartman. In the decorations Mrs. Croxson had the assistance of W. K. Booth and R. J. Lord.

The music accompanying the performance was especially effective. It was rendered by a quartet consisting of Miss Cook, Mrs. Bacon, Mr. Eastwood and Mr. Buchanan, with Mrs. Snell at the organ. Mrs. Donald C. Ashmore sang the "Magnificat" and Guy Rihard furnished incidental music with the violin.

The cast for the performance was as follows: Joseph and Mary, Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert S. Bovard; Wise Men, F. E. Gibson, E. E. Bacon, C. W. Collins; Shepherds, O. E. Caukin, Dr. C. F. Stoddard, Fred Lalone; Angels, Hazel Udell, Elsie Lichner, Elizabeth Morgridge, Gertrude Bandy, Ruth Grant; Wind Angel, Cynthia Hull; Moonbeam Angel, Loribel Stanley; Star Angel, Lila Croxson; gift bearers, Ruth Lord, Moreland Kortkamp; Angel of the Golden Lily, Alta Croxson; readers, Meses Muriel Tarr and Betty Moore.

MRS. ASPINALL IS A VICTIM OF HEART ATTACK

Mrs. Emily Aspinall, a resident of Sierra Madre for twenty years or more, was found dead Monday morning in her home at 272 West Grand View Avenue, where she had lived all alone.

Discovery of Mrs. Aspinall's body was made by her old friends, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fitzwilliam of Acacia Street, and Mrs. Moore of Sycamore Place, who called to see her as they had been in the habit of doing. They reported their discovery to Marshal A. M. Udell, who in turn notified the county coroner's office.

Inquiry into the circumstances and among neighbors gave reason to believe that Mrs. Aspinall had passed away as long ago as Friday night. It was apparent that she had risen in the night and turned on a light, and then passed away as a result of a heart attack. A neighbor said he had seen the light burning in the house on Saturday. The coroner's office decided no inquest was necessary and Dr. L. L. Krebs signed a certificate indicating death from heart trouble, after making an examination.

Mrs. Aspinall was a native of New Zealand and was 65 years of age. She was the widow of the late J. B. Aspinall who was engaged in the real estate and subdivision activities in Sierra Madre about the time the electric railway was built here.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning in the Sierra Madre Funeral Chapel. Rev. Mr. Clow of the Theosophical Society of Los Angeles was in charge. Interment took place at Mountain View Cemetery, Altadena.

Baumgart to Lecture Here On Thursday

B. R. Baumgart, one of the best known lecturers on the American platform, will give his illustrated lecture on "Egypt" in the Masonic Temple next Thursday night. Both the deep interest in the subject and the reputation of the speaker seem likely to attract a capacity house.

The name of Baumgart is familiar to many thousands of people, but does not mean the same to all of them. It is like the stars where the nearer luminary seems larger because it appears to shine brighter. B. R. Baumgart has a famous son, Dr. Mars Baumgart, who is famous as an astronomer because of his radio lectures. The father has spent so much of his time in the east during the past ten years that his reputation there is even greater than it is in his home state.

It was through the good offices of Fred Hooker Jones, a former business associate of Mr. Baumgart, that the latter was induced to come to Sierra Madre. In the midst of a busy lecture course season in the eastern states, he came west to spend two weeks at home during the holidays. Next week offered the only available date for a lecture, and Mr. Baumgart readily acceded to the request of Mr. Jones to come to Sierra Madre on Thursday night.

Mr. Baumgart's lectures are based upon personal experiences in foreign travel. His stereophonic slides are from pictures procured by him and colored by the art of Mrs. Baumgart. His amazing fund of information and his profound philosophy make his lectures wonderfully interesting. He has been so much in demand in eastern cities that he has appeared as many as ninety times for a single institution over a period of years. He has a large number of lecture topics and is considered well worth hearing again wherever he goes. Of all his lectures, the one on Egypt was chosen as having perhaps the greatest popular appeal at this time. Mr. Baumgart makes it his business to keep in touch with the latest developments in the fields he covers.

St. Rita's Catholic Church

Corner of Baldwin and East Grand View Ave. Rev. Hyacinth Clarey, C. P., in charge.

Christmas, Midnight mass; 2nd mass at 7 and 3rd mass at 9, followed by benediction.

Sunday, December 26: 1st Mass 7, 2nd, 9. On Wednesday, December 28, Mass for Mrs. Schneeburger at 7 o'clock, kindness of Altar Society.

BANANAS RIPEN IN YARD OF BODINE HOME

Mrs. C. C. Bodine brought to the News office the other day the first specimens of bananas ever seen by any of the force which had grown to maturity in Sierra Madre. She said they were part of a crop of two or three dozen growing this year on a tree in their yard. The flavor was much like that of the red variety found in the markets. Ordinarily cold weather sets in before the fruit comes to maturity, a long growing season being necessary for it to ripen.

HOME-TRADE CONTEST PRIZES ARE AWARDED

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For every dollar that is spent in this town, twenty-five cents, at least, goes for the support of some family, and every additional family in our town means an increase in the town's growth. That means more taxes are paid, so there can be more town improvements, such as swimming pools, play-grounds, parks, better streets and better schools. The merchants are our friends and neighbors and we should be loyal to them.

If you buy in Sierra Madre the people can afford to keep a larger and better assortment of goods to suit the tastes of the people. People often complain because there is little choice in clothing. If more people would trade in Sierra Madre they would have more things to choose from.

Trading in Sierra Madre saves carfare, gasoline and time. Some people think they will save if they go to the city, but they forget it costs to go and the time it takes to go to the city.

The things you buy in Sierra Madre cost less than in a larger place because they don't have to pay such high rent as they do in Los Angeles or Pasadena.

Trading at home is more convenient and pleasant. You do not have to bump into the crowds, but instead you can meet your friends while you are down town. Besides, when you trade at home your home merchants can be trusted; if anything is wrong they will make it right.

The best reason for trading at home is that if the business men do not prosper, if we take our money out of town and our own business men do not get our trade, they cannot pay for city improvements.

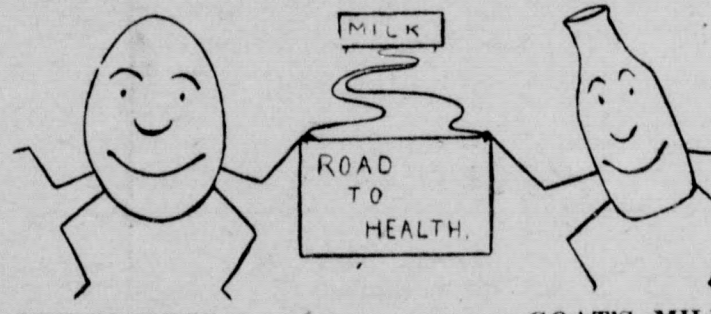
It is our duty then to be loyal to our home stores, so that our town can grow and get on the map and be a better place for all of us.

SECOND PRIZE WHY I BELIEVE IN TRADING IN SIERRA MADRE

By Miriam Taylor

I believe in trading in Sierra Madre because in doing so I am loyal to the town I live in.

One good reason for trading with our home merchants is that it saves a great deal of time. If we went to another town, Monrovia, Pasadena or Los Angeles, it would take several hours to make the trip. If one has an auto it will cost the price of gasoline and oil and the wear and tear on the car. If one has no automobile then it would be necessary to go by street car and there would be the cost of carfare; all of which could be saved by simply going to our home stores.



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Members of Eastern Star Entertained

Mrs. Mary J. Dickinson and Robert M. Finlayson, matron and patron of the Eastern Star chapter, celebrated the last regular chapter meeting over which they presided with a delightful supper party to which the entire chapter were invited. The meeting was largely attended but very brief, so that the company could spend most of the evening in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple.

The room was artistically decorated, and tables were set for delicious refreshments which put everyone in a good mood for the program which was to follow. On behalf of the officers of the chapter, Mrs. Milton Steinberger presented to Mrs. Dickinson a beautiful receipt case. Mr. Finlayson presided during the varied entertainment program.

Ensemble and solo numbers were presented by a quartet consisting of Messrs. O. E. Eastwood, Stanley McLellan, George B. Morgridge and Jack Buchanan. Dave Buchanan, in costume, did a fine portrayal of his fellow countryman, Sir Harry Lauder. Mrs. Hazel Metcalf gave an effective reading, and Mr. Finlayson put over a song extolling the merits of his big bassoon, a musical instrument of his own invention and manufacture, which demonstrated itself. Dave Buchanan and J. N. Hawks gave a one-act sketch, "The Raft," by Capt. Stephen Leacock, which approached the sublime in dramatic art.

When a merchant comes to our town he invests a lot of money in his stock and he pays taxes to the city on his business, which helps our town to grow. The more the people buy from the merchants the more they increase their business and the more the town grows. If people would stay in their home town and do all of their trading here the merchants would be able to sell things cheaper and people would soon get over the idea that they had to go elsewhere to buy.

A growing business district attracts other merchants, who, on coming to the town to visit, see how the business men prosper and notice her loyal citizens. And so stay and put up stores of their own which make a larger business district and attract more people to the town.

If the money that is gradually brought into the town was kept here, in any cases of emergency when the town needed money for community buildings, Red Cross, or funds, etc., the need could be quickly met.

Let us all help Sierra Madre grow with our pennies, dimes and dollars.

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